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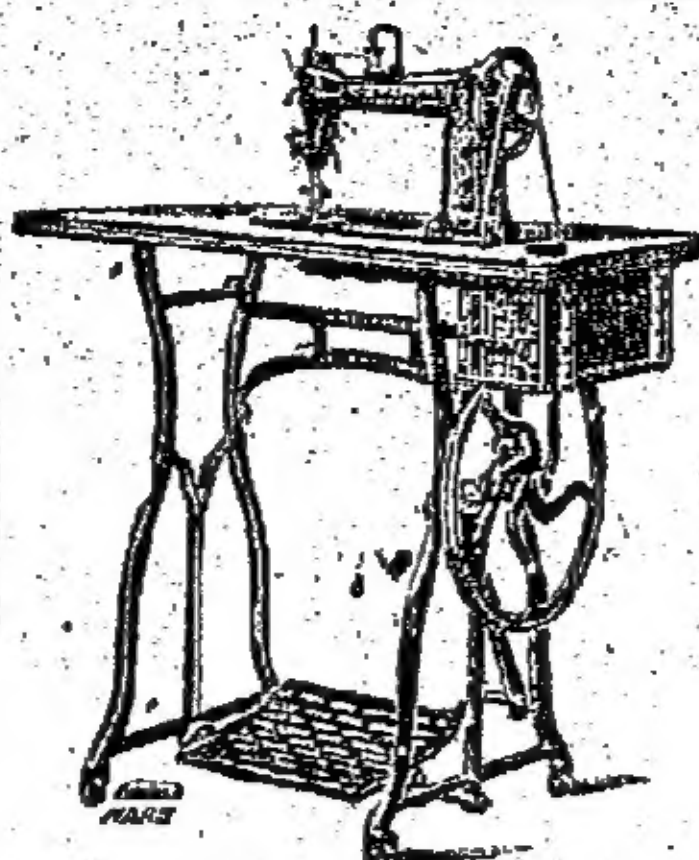
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##### A Parisian Swell-Mobster.

Altmyer, long the king of the 'swell mob' in Paris, has added to the list of his innumerable exploits by successfully escaping from the French convict penitentiary in Guiana, where he had been confined for the past twelve years. He managed to board a first-class passage on board a steamer bound for Southampton, and is now supposed to be in London. The police there are prepared to find him one of those days back in Paris living in grand style in the art of thieving when he invented the telephone trick, sings often employed by imitators. He rang up a wealthy Parisian merchant, and successfully assuming the voice of one of the latter's clients obtained a sum of £2,000 or so, which started him on his career. For years he cut a dashing figure if not in drawing rooms, at least in the flashy society called the 'world where you amuse yourself.' In smart restaurants, at first nights, on the turf, he was acknowledged as a leader of gay sets, and he is known to have thus brilliantly figured under six successive names, each with a highly ornamental handle to it. Spending right royally, he replenished his funds by every sort of imaginable fraud. He was rarely caught, and when he was he had a hundred stratagems for escaping which he used with continuous success until twelve years ago, when he was tried and sentenced to transportation.

One of his exploits is memorable in the annals of the Paris Court of Justice. While being questioned by the examining magistrate pending his trial, he managed somehow to appropriate a sheet of official paper. On this he wrote out a warrant for his own release, forging the magistrate's handwriting to perfection. On being re-examined the next day he got hold of the seal lying on the magistrate's table and played with it while talking. Pretending to lose his temper at one moment he thumped violently on the inkstand and overturned it on to the back of the magistrate's attendant policeman, who was naturally irate in consequence. The magistrate, without thinking, turned to look while the stain on the damaged garments was being mopped up with blotting paper. In an instant Altmyer had set the official seal on his warrant. Later, or while being taken back to his cell, he suddenly exclaimed: "Oh, by the way, here is a letter for the governor of the prison which the magistrate told me to give you. I was nearly forgetting all about it." The governor never dreamed of suspecting the authenticity of the message. Altmyer was duly set at liberty that afternoon, and spent the evening at the Theatre Francaise.

#### THE BEAUTY OF THE YORKSHIRE FEVERSHAMS.

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##### A MEADOW VENUS.

Recovering his breath, the young Earl asked her name, and later on persuaded the Dowager, his mother, to permit the meadow Venus to be brought to Duncombe Park and taught by the housekeeper. Not long after he declared his intention of marrying her. So she was sent to a private school for a term, to come back in due time and be made Countess of Feversham. They say that the grace of her character equalled her beauty, and that she reigned in Duncombe Park as gently and wisely as though she had been born to the purple. But the fellow-milks of this lovely milking lass were a little jealous. And for years after they used to lean over the stile at which she met her fate, as the sun set, and say a doggerel rhyme meant to bring them similar luck:—  
"Things may happen, and things may fall,  
I may be mistress of you great hall."  
It sounds like a 'Hardy' romance, but it is all true.—*Nice Lance.*

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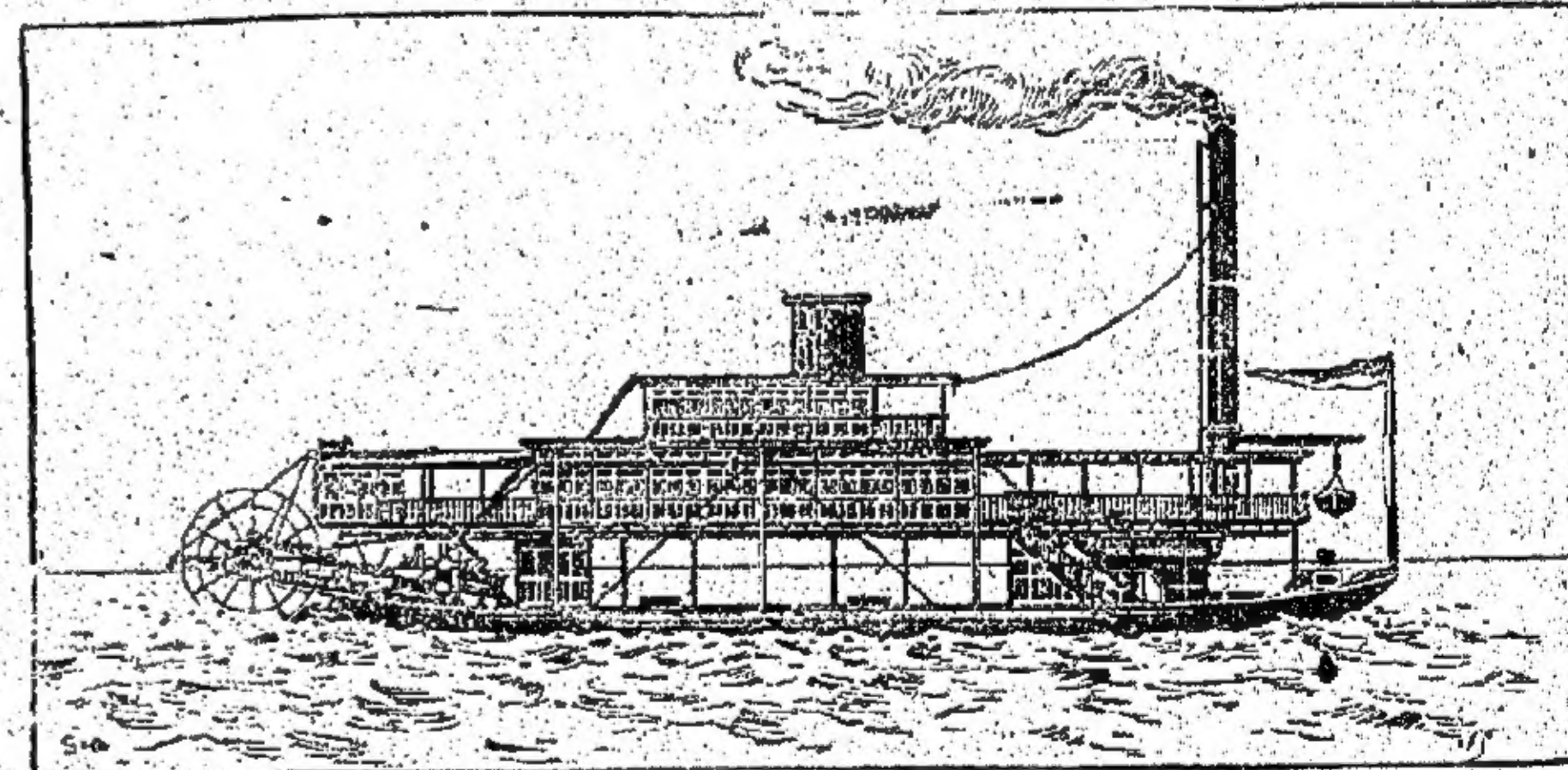
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THURSDAY, January 2:—  
Insurance Office close.  
Local Banks close.  
Goods per *Lightning* not cleared at 10  
a.m. on this date subject to rent.  
SATURDAY, January 4:—  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Chinese Curios,  
etc., at Mr. Geo. P. Lammert's Sales  
Rooms.  
MONDAY, January 6:—  
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of Wm. Powell, Ltd., payable.  
FRIDAY, January 10:—  
4 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The  
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pany's Office.  
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Extraordinary General Meeting of China  
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**BIRTHS.**

On the 19th Dec., at 'Seoniam,' Northern  
Road, Peking, the wife of CHAN A. LAW,  
of a Daughter.  
At Upper Norwood, St. Thomas's Walk,  
on 21st December, the wife of L. HERBERT,  
of a Daughter.

**DATH.**

On the 29th December, at Taiokotai,  
Capt. GEORGE FRANK SAKURAI, aged 58 years.

The publication of this issue commenced  
at 5.20 p.m.

**The China Mail.**

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1901.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

**Notes by the Way.**

Madame Freed gave a successful con-  
cert at Fochow on the 19th inst.

It is proposed to connect Nagasaki and  
Mogi by means of an electric railway.

Exports of coal from Moji have declin-  
ed of late and a fall in prices is anticipated.

The German Mail of the 27th Novem-  
ber was delivered in London on the 27th  
December.

Professor Gietter, of the Imperial  
University, has opened a French class in  
the University buildings at Peking.

General Sir Hector Macdonald spent a  
few days at Colombo on his way back to  
India from Australia and New Zealand.

A similar movement, to that in Singa-  
pore for increased pay to engineers and to  
masters and mates reported from Penang.

A Chinaman employed at the Green  
Island Company's Cement Works at Hung-  
hom fell into one of the kilns and was  
killed.

The stamp revenue of Hongkong for  
November shows a decrease of \$3908.00 as  
compared with the corresponding period of  
last year.

The Japanese have erected a granite  
monument in Peking to those Japanese who  
were killed during the Boxer rising. The  
monument bears a Sanskrit inscription.

During the first ten days of December,  
9 cases of dysentery, 16 of typhoid fever,  
and 23 of diphtheria were reported within  
Nagasaki and neighbouring districts.

Mr J. Mossop, of the Public Works  
Department, being on the eve of going  
to Shanghai, has resigned his commission as  
a Lieutenant in the Hongkong Volunteer  
Corps.

There were 159 European, and 91  
Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library,  
and 93 European and 1,314 Chinese to the  
Museum during the week ended 29th  
December.

The Race Ball at Fochow was attend-  
ed by upwards of one hundred residents  
and guests, among the latter being the  
officers of the German warship *Geier*, whose  
band provided the music.

The crews of two junks had a fight yester-  
day, in the course of which two of the  
combatants got into grips and fell into the  
harbour. There they struggled with each  
other until they both sank, and were  
drowned.

Mr M. W. Slade has resigned his com-  
mission as Captain of the Field Battery,  
Hongkong Volunteer Corps, and His Excel-  
lency, in accepting the resignation, ap-  
proves of Mr Slade's attachment provision-  
ally as Captain to the Reserve of the Corps.

Sir Frank Swettenham has offered to  
give a cricket bat to the member of  
the Penik team who makes the  
highest score in any innings in the match  
against the Singapore C. C. during the  
Christmas cricket week.

Viceroy Yuan Shih-k'ai has returned  
to Peking, writes the Peking correspon-  
dent of the *N. C. Daily News*. He failed  
to persuade the Ministers to abandon the  
Provisional Government. "It is a dis-  
appointment to him. He now intends to  
meet the Court on its way."

Among the passengers passing through  
Hongkong in the German mail steamer  
*Prinz Heinrich* at Sir Brooke Boothby,  
Bart., who is proceeding to Tokio to take  
up his post of Secretary of Legation, and  
Dr G. K. Morrison, *The Times* corres-  
pondent at Peking, who has been on a  
visit to Bangkok and Singapore. Sir  
Brooke Boothby is cousin to Commander  
Boothby of H.M.S. *Endymion*.

MRS. WILLIAMS, Leeds, England,  
writes to me recommending a bottle of  
Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil, and also a bottle of  
my experience of the effects of it warrants,  
if not necessitates, my suggestion to per-  
sons who have "run down" or show physical  
symptoms.  
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**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

**Ceylon Volunteers for Africa.**  
A movement is on foot to send a second  
contingent of Ceylon Volunteers to South  
Africa. About 100 men have already  
signified their willingness to serve with an  
unmounted corps at the front.

**The Dallas Company.**  
The Dallas Company, thirty strong,  
was to leave Calcutta by a special train for  
Bombay on the 10th inst. They were to  
stop for two days at Allahabad, and arrive  
in Bombay on the 17th and open on the  
21st inst. Mr Dallas took fifty tons of  
scenery and properties to Bombay.

**Accident to the French Mail.**  
About 3 a.m. yesterday (says the *Sin-  
gapore Free Press* of the 21st Dec.), as the  
homeward bound French mail steamer,  
*L'ile de la Ciotat* was leaving Singapore  
from Saigon, during a dense fog and a  
strong gale of wind, she is alleged to have  
run or been driven into a shoal, with the  
result that two blades of her propeller were  
broken and the remaining two were bent,  
and she did not get alongside the wharf  
before 11 a.m., although due at daylight.  
Her propeller is being examined by divers.  
The *Ville de la Ciotat* is 515 feet long and  
the largest dock here is 475 feet long.

**A Royal Apology.**  
A rather amusing incident occurred to  
a friend of mine some weeks ago (says *Free  
Lancer*). He was walking down Pall Mall  
one evening when suddenly a private  
brougham stopped immediately in front of  
him, and a rather stout gentleman alighted  
hurriedly, but unfortunately in so doing  
tried heavily on the tenderly-cherished corn  
of my poor friend. An interjection quite  
equal to the occasion, though far more for-  
cible than strictly polite, escaped the  
sufferer. Judge, therefore, his horror on  
looking up into the face of His Majesty the  
King, who said, however, in his usual cor-  
dial manner, "Pardon me, the fault was en-  
tirely mine."

**The Peking Pawnshops.**  
The Peking correspondent of the *N. C. Daily News* writes:—The Civil Governor  
of Peking, Chen Pi, is trying to get the  
pawn-shops to pay up some 200,000  
taels of the Imperial revenue, which had  
been deposited in some of them, and during  
last year's troubles was stolen. Con-  
sidering the fact that all the pawn-shops—  
about 200—were looted, it is pretty hard  
on them to be compelled to make up that  
part which was Imperial, when the Court  
was accountable for all the trouble and all  
the losses. Instead of the pawn-shops  
recompensing the Empress Dowager, the  
latter should compensate the pawn-shops.  
All the pawn-shops have combined to  
protest and resist, and say they will close  
up before meeting this loss.

**Thanking the Gods.**  
The following translation of an Imperial  
Edict, issued at Yikou, Hsian, on the  
19th inst., is taken from the *N. C. Daily News*.—A decree in the name of the Em-  
press Dowager expressing gratitude to the  
dragon and other river gods of the Yellow  
River at Liuyuan who, when the Imperial  
barges crossed over the river at Liuyuan on  
the 14th instant, when the Court left  
K'ai-feng for Peking, vouchsafed calm weather  
and a river "as smooth as glass." The  
Empress Dowager, therefore, desires to  
show her thankfulness to the river gods by  
bestowing an extra honorific title on them  
and hereby commands the Board of Rites  
to determine the most appropriate title to  
commemorate the occasion. To the boat-  
men of the Imperial barges and others in  
charge of the arrangements at the Yellow  
River, the sum of Tls. 2,500 is ordered to  
be distributed as a reward for their vigilance  
and care.

**Police 'Smoker.'**  
An admirably organised smoking con-  
cert took place on Saturday evening in the  
mess room of the Central Police Station,  
its only fault, and that was a good fault,  
was that the premises were overcrowded.  
Sergeant Garrod was an excellent chairman,  
and was well supported by a super-abun-  
dance of popular singers, among whom were  
Staff Sergeant Viggie, A.O.O., Sergeant  
Ward, R.A.M.C., Sergeant Jardine,  
R.M.A., Sergeant Simmers, R.E., Corporal  
Morton, R.M.L.I., H.M.S. *Blackburn*, Private  
Barnes, A.O.G., Corporal Everleigh,  
R.E., Messrs J. Laycock, Langley, Shep-  
herd, Brown, Devaney, and Rutledge.  
Snapper Long, R.E., and Band Sergeant  
Cartwright, H.M.S. *Benken*, were excel-  
lent accompanists. Messrs Finman and  
Derency deserve credit for the scheme of  
decoration which was tasteful and appro-  
priate to the season. Mr F. J. Badesley,  
Acting Captain Superintendent of Police,  
and Mr A. Mackie, Acting Deputy Super-  
intendent, were present during the entire  
evening.

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**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

**News from the Philippines.**  
A prison for insurgents is to be  
established on Grande Island, Subig Bay.

Several insurgent strongholds in  
Mindoro have been destroyed, and the town  
of Mangarin burned down by the American  
soldiers.

Governor-General Taft left for the  
United States on board the transport *Grant*  
on the 24th December. He was able to  
walk, but is reported to have lost weight  
during his illness and to be still in weak  
health. Mr Luke T. Wright is Acting  
Governor.

Walter A. Fitton has brought a suit  
through Attorney Torrell against Archibald  
Stewart, formerly chief accountant for the  
Chartered Bank in Manila, with hope of  
recovering an amount in excess of twelve  
thousand pesos that Fitton claims is due  
him from Stewart. This litigation arose  
out of a big heap deal in which Stewart  
was one of the speculators and Fitton agent.  
The heap was purchased and sold through  
Warner, Barnes & Co. with a loss of over  
twelve thousand dollars to each of the  
speculators. With the exception of Stewart,  
the other participants in the deal paid their  
losses. Subsequently, Fitton received in-  
structions from Stewart in London to settle  
his share. Accordingly Fitton gave his own  
personal note to Warner, Barnes & Co., and  
since then he has made seven monthly pay-  
ments of one thousand pesos each on the  
note. Inasmuch as Stewart has not made  
any attempt to reimburse or secure him,  
he has filed this suit in order to nitpick any  
property that is still held in Stewart's name  
in Manila.

**The University Rugby Match.**  
A London telegram, dated 15th inst.,  
gives the following details of the Oxford  
and Cambridge Rugby football match:—  
In the Inter-Varsity Rugby Football match  
played yesterday, Cambridge had rather  
the best of the play in the first half, but  
there was no score. The defence on both  
sides was sound. The Oxford three-quarter  
line was a fine combination, and the Cam-  
bridge pack tackled splendidly. In the  
second half, Oxford scored two tries, Mr  
Crabtree, the captain, crossing the line both  
times. Mr Strand Jones converted the se-  
cond try into a goal. Cambridge failed to  
score, and Oxford won by one goal and one  
try (8 points) to nil.

**Zetland Lodge.**  
On Friday evening, December 27, the  
Deputy District Grand Master Right Wor.  
Brother E. C. Ray, with the District Grand  
Lodge Officers, attended at the Masonic  
Hall for the purpose of installing Bro.  
J. J. Bryan as Worshipful Master of  
Zetland Lodge. Wor. Bro. Bryan, after  
being duly installed in the Chair, appointed  
and invested his officers as follows:—Im-  
mediate Past Master, Wor. Bro. W. J.  
Tutcher; Senior Warden, Bro. B. Broth-  
erton; Junior Warden, Bro. J. W.  
Graham; Chaplain, Bro. Rev. T. Wright,  
Treasurer, Wor. Bro. G. J. B. Sayer; Sec-  
retary, Bro. E. R. Ralphs; Senior Deacon,  
Bro. H. Sykes; Junior Deacon, Bro. W.  
H. Percell; Director of Ceremonies, Bro.  
C. Nierker; Organist, Bro. C. W. Mar-  
shall; Steward, Bro. A. H. Skelton; Inner  
Guard, Bro. G. A. Dill; Tyler, Bro. J.  
Marshall. The brethren then adjourned  
to the Lower Hall, where the Banquet took  
place. The usual patriotic and Masonic  
toasts were given; and the rest of the  
evening was devoted to conviviality and  
music. Among those who contributed  
largely to the musical part of the pro-  
gramme were Messrs Ward, Galluzzi,  
Grimble, Miron, Goldring and Terrill.

**D. O. Lodge of Hongkong and S. China.**  
At the annual meeting of the District  
Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China  
held on Saturday evening the Deputy Dis-  
trict Grand Master, Wor. Brother E. C.  
Ray, presided, and appointed and invested  
the following officers for the ensuing year:—  
District Senior Grand Warden, G. J.  
W. King; District Junior Grand Warden,  
F. B. Smith; District Grand Chaplain, F.  
W. Clark; District Grand Treasurer, F. W.  
Edwards; District Grand Registrar, G.  
Piercy, Jr.; District Grand President Board  
of General Inspection, D. Macdonald; Dis-  
trict Senior Grand Secretary, A. O. D.  
Gardner; District Senior Grand Deacon, J.  
G. Goetz; District Junior Grand Deacon,  
W. J. Tutcher; District Grand Superin-  
tendent of Works, J. J. Bryan; District  
Grand Director of Ceremonies, W. H.  
Wickham; District Assistant Grand  
Director of Ceremonies, E. C. Edwards;  
District Grand Sword Bearer, Alex. Cum-  
mings; District Grand Standard Bearer, W.  
M. Fochow Lodge; District Grand Stand-  
ard Bearer, E. A. Stanton; District Grand  
Organist, G. G. Burnett; District Assis-  
tant Grand Pursuivant, B. B. Harker; Dis-  
trict Grand Steward, E. H. Ray; District  
Grand Steward, A. W. Bewley; District  
Grand Steward, A. H. Heyland; District  
Grand Steward, S. W. Cornhill Lodge;  
District Grand Steward, S. W. Fochow;  
District Grand Tyler, James Marshall.  
Unofficial Members, Wor. Bro. W. L. Ford,  
Wor. Bro. H. J. Watson.

'Who is the smartest boy in your class,  
Bobby?' asked his uncle. 'I'd like to tell  
you, uncle,' answered Bobby modestly,  
'only papa says I'm not!'

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

**Plague in Manila.**  
Two cases of plague were reported in  
the Walled City of Manila on the 23rd inst.  
—both native children. A case of smallpox  
was also reported in the Walled City.

**Cotton Spinning at Shanghai.**  
The profit of the Ewo Cotton Spinning  
and Weaving Co., Ltd., at Shanghai, dur-  
ing the last working year was Tols 104,479.  
This wipes off the deficit of the previous  
year, all but Tls. 13,688.

**South America.**  
A London telegram to the *Ozma Mail*  
dated 15th inst. says that 40,000  
Argentine troops have been raised by con-  
scription. Brazil has declared 'neutrality'  
respecting the trouble between Argentina  
and Chile.

**Football Shield Tie.**  
To-morrow afternoon, on the Happy  
Valley, in the first round of the Hong-  
kong Football Challenge Shield competi-  
tion, the Royal Engineers will play H. P.  
Company, R.W.F. The kick-off will be at  
4 o'clock. The following team will repre-  
sent H. P. Company:—Goal, Whitney; backs,  
Smart and Edwards; half-backs, Stafford,  
Pownall, and Sweet; forwards, Pugh,  
Golson, Williams, Walters and Shields.

**Death of Captain Sachse.**  
The flag was half-masted at the  
German Club yesterday out of respect  
for Captain G. Sachse, manager of the  
oil godowns at Taiokotai and agent for  
Messrs Arnold, Karberg and  
Co., who died at 3.30 on Sunday morning.  
Captain Sachse was well known in the  
Colony, having been resident here for about  
eighteen years. He was a member of the  
Masonic order.

**Tax Collecting in Fuhkien.**  
The *Fochow Echo* says:—The rumours  
that the officials are experiencing consider-  
able difficulty in collecting the new taxes  
continue unabated. This week it is re-  
ported that the Min Magistrate, who found it  
necessary to go to a certain district in person  
on this business, met with most unpleasant  
treatment. Of course the head of the dis-  
trict was severely punished for this, but the  
story goes to show how strong the resistance  
to this new taxation must be when the peo-  
ple dare to insult so high an official. The  
reports of the extraordinary number of Li-  
terary degrees obtained by bribery are, if  
true, scandalous. It is the last chance  
H.E. the Literary Chancellor will have of  
indulging in this sort of thing, but in the  
meantime there has been a great deal of  
talk about it, and natural indignation ex-  
pressed in certain quarters.

**The Increased Ferry Fares.**  
When we called attention a few days  
ago to the increased charge for tickets on  
the Kowloon Ferry we were unaware of  
certain facts that have since come to our  
knowledge. We were under the impression  
that the ferry traffic had increased so much  
during the past year that the Star Ferry  
Company must be increasing its earnings  
enormously, and we are therefore surprised  
to learn, upon enquiry, that the net  
revenue of the Company during the past  
six months compares unfavourably with  
that of the previous year, the causes being  
the largely increased cost of running  
the new double-enders without, as  
anticipated, a corresponding increase in  
the European traffic, while compared with  
last year the earnings show a falling off.  
It has been considered advisable, therefore,  
in the interests of the shareholders to in-  
crease the fare of the occasional traveller in  
consideration of the superior accommoda-  
tion provided by the double-ended boats.  
To the local resident who cares to purchase  
a punch ticket the fare remains precisely  
the same as before—10 cents per journey—and  
recognising the claims to consideration  
of the Kowloon residents no increase is  
made, nor is one contemplated we believe  
in the charge for season tickets. The only  
persons affected by the change are passen-  
gers and officers from ships at the Kowloon  
Wharves and the occasional traveller from  
Hongkong. One cause of the change in-  
troduced by the management is the abuse  
of the special punch ticket allowed to the  
various athletic clubs on the Kowloon side  
of the Harbour. We believe it is a fact  
that a traffic has sprung up in these tickets,  
which have got into the hands of some per-  
sons not members of the Clubs. It is hard  
on those who have not abused their privilege  
that they should be made to suffer along  
with the delinquents, but there is no means  
of discriminating, and so the management  
had no other recourse than to abandon the  
privilege tickets. It is obvious to anyone  
that the ferry service is very much im-  
proved, and it is only reasonable that the  
Company's rights should be recognised as  
well as the traveller's. As we have pointed  
out, regular users of the ferry are not affect-  
ed by the alteration in the tariff; the occa-  
sional traveller to whom the ferry is not so  
much a necessity as a convenience has been  
singled out instead of the steady supporters  
of the service to make good the deficiency  
in the earnings; and the only parties who  
are at all hit by the new arrangement are  
the members of the clubs, who, after all,  
can put themselves on the same footing as  
the Kowloon residents by buying punch  
tickets.

**HAD A GOOD TIME.**  
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but was afraid to do so on account of  
pains in his stomach, which he feared would  
grow worse. He says, "I was telling my trou-  
bles to a lady friend, who said, 'Chamber-  
lain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy'  
will put you in condition for the party." I  
bought a bottle and take pleasure in stating  
that two doses cured me and enabled me to  
have a good time at the party." Mr. Snell  
is a resident of Summit Hill, N. Y., U.S.A.  
This remedy is for sale by All Dealers.  
WATKINS LTD., General Agents.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

**Rugby Football.**  
A Rugby football match was played on  
Saturday at Happy Valley between the  
Navy and Hongkong Football Club. A  
hard and exciting game resulted in a draw,  
each side scoring a try. The match is  
described as one of the best that has been  
seen on the ground this season.

**The Tragedy on the German Mail.**  
The German Mail steamer *Prinz Hein-  
rich* arrived this morning from Europe  
after an eventful voyage. In coming  
through the canal, her progress was block-  
ed for over a day by a French steamer  
grounding in front of her. On nearing  
Singapore, on the 21st December, an  
alarming tragedy, already reported briefly  
among our cable correspondence, took place.  
When everything was quiet on the ship,  
about one o'clock in the morning, a loud  
report of firearms caused people to desert  
their cabins to inquire as to the cause.  
They were horrified to find one of the  
assistant engineers lying dead with a  
bullet wound behind his left ear and a  
revolver lying close by. Another as-  
sistant engineer was wounded. The trouble  
is said to have arisen over a young  
Dutch lady, passenger with whom both  
had struck up acquaintanceship on the  
voyage. The true facts of the case are dif-  
ficult to get at, nobody but the two  
men being present. It is said that the case  
was one of murder and suicide and another  
story is that the tragedy is the result of a  
duel. This latter theory is difficult to  
sustain, however, as there was only one  
weapon found. The police at Singapore  
investigated the matter.

**Sir J. Winfield Bonser.**  
We learn on the best authority (says  
*The Times of Ceylon*) that the Right Hon.  
Sir John Winfield Bonser has received from  
home the following official communication:—  
His Majesty has been pleased to approve  
your appointment to the Judicial com-  
mittee of the Privy Council under Section  
50 of the 3rd and 4th, William IV, Clause  
41. Upon receipt of this the Chief Justice  
placed his resignation in the hands of H. E.  
the Governor, and now awaits its accep-  
tance. It is probable that Sir Winfield  
Bonser will leave for England almost im-  
mediately, and it is certain that Lady Bonser  
and his daughter, who were to have  
arrived in Ceylon early next year, will not  
now come out. The regret of the many  
friends they have made here will be great  
that Sir Winfield and Lady Bonser are to  
be lost to the Colony. Judiciously there  
can be no question that there will be much  
difficulty in filling the places which have  
been so admirably occupied by our retiring Chief  
Justice. Indeed, his explanation of the  
appointment is to be found in Sir Winfield  
Bonser's own qualifications, which are dis-  
tinctly higher than those of his immediate  
predecessors et al. events. Mr Justice  
Moncreiff will become Acting Chief Justice  
again; but we assume that the new Chief  
Justice will come to us from outside.—Sir  
J. Winfield Bonser was Attorney General  
at Singapore for nine years and has been  
Chief Justice in Ceylon for eight years.  
He is 54 years of age.

**Presentation to Mr J. W. Kinghorn.**  
To-day, Mr J. W. Kinghorn, chief en-  
gineer of the Fire Brigade, was made the re-  
cipient of a handsome gift by the European  
members of the Brigade on the occasion of  
his leaving the Colony for home. The pre-  
sentation took place at the Central Police  
Station, and Mr F. J. Badesley, Acting  
Superintendent, presided. He referred in  
suitable terms to Mr Kinghorn's long and  
valuable connection with the Fire Brigade  
extending over a period of fifteen years,  
during the first three of which he was a  
member of the Volunteer Fire Brigade.  
He (Mr Badesley) was very sorry at having  
to part with Mr Kinghorn, but hoped that  
they might renew acquaintances in the  
home country where he wished him a  
happy time. In conclusion, he asked Mr  
Kinghorn's acceptance of a beautiful man-  
ic time piece and silver pocket flask sub-  
scribed for by the European members of  
the Fire Brigade. Mr Kinghorn, in ac-  
cepting the gifts, thanked the subscribers  
for this unexpected mark of their good-will  
towards him. He had always had good  
officers under him in the Brigade—men  
willing to do whatever duty they were called  
upon to perform. There was one thing  
he would like to call attention to which  
was detrimental to the efficiency of the  
Brigade as an establishment. Very often it  
happened that men joined the Brigade  
and had no sooner become well up in the  
work than their Police duty sent them  
away to another part of the Colony where  
their services as firemen could not be avail-  
ed of. At the conclusion of the speech  
making, the company sang 'He's a jolly  
good fellow,' and on the call of Mr Badesley  
three lusty cheers and a 'tiger' were given  
for Mr Kinghorn. The clock bore the fol-  
lowing inscription:—Presented by the  
members of the Hongkong Fire Brigade to  
J. W. Kinghorn, Chief Eng., as a mark of  
respect and esteem on his retirement from  
the Brigade. December 1901.

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## TELEGRAMS.

## SOUTH AFRICA.

## A British Camp Rushed.

LONDON, 17th December, 1901. Lord Kitchener, in a despatch from Johannesburg, states that General Rindler reports that on the 14th instant Colonel Finner's camp at Tweefontein was successfully rushed by a considerable force of Boers under De Wet, and that it is feared our casualties are heavy. The column consisted of four companies Yeomanry, with two guns, and was guarding the head of the blockhouse line from Hartsburg to Bethlehem. The Imperial Light Horse has gone in pursuit of the enemy.

## MARQUIS ITO'S TOUR.

Marquis Ito, accompanied by Baron Hayashi, Japanese Minister in London, was received at the Foreign Office, and subsequently presented to King Edward. He lunched at the Marlborough House on the 3rd January, and leaves Marseilles for Japan on the 12th January.

## WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

Signor Marconi is erecting a transatlantic wireless telegraph station at Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia.

## THE SCHLEY INQUIRY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22. Lieutenant-General Nelson A. Miles has been officially reprimanded for utterances which he made endorsing Admiral Dewey's opinion in the Schley case. The resignation of the historian Macdonald has been requested.

Pres. Roosevelt is determined to stamp out the long continued controversy, and has rebuked Gen. Miles in person for his ill-timed remarks.

## U.S. CABINET CHANGES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. The resignation of the Secretary of the Treasury, Lyman J. Gage, is now a certainty. His successor will be Governor W. Murray Crane, of Massachusetts.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23. Governor W. Murray Crane of Massachusetts has declined the offer of a cabinet position as successor to Gage. Taft figures very strongly in the Cabinet gossip as the most suitable man for the place.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24. The Portfolio of the Treasury has been offered Governor Shaw of Iowa. It is understood that he will accept it.

## PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. A plan of Government for the Philippine Islands has been sketched out, but Congress will not legislate until after Judge Taft has been heard from.

## THE MANCHURIAN QUESTION.

Peking, December 23. I learn from a most reliable source that the following is the present position of the negotiations as to Manchuria, which were opened on Friday between the Russo-Prussian plenipotentiaries, Prince Ching and Wang Wan-shao, and the Russian Minister.

The Russian Minister said that there was no need for further discussion of the Convention, the terms of which had been already settled with Li Hung-chang, and he must insist that the Russo-Prussian plenipotentiaries should not accept it as it stands.

They answered that they are not very well acquainted with the details of the previous negotiations, and as Li Hung-chang was dead, they did not feel bound to accept the Convention as it stands, but must demand the re-opening of negotiations. The matter could not be settled on the spot, and the conference was ended, the plenipotentiaries promising to write to the Russian Minister, after they had re-considered the question.

Wang Wan-shao's desire is to abandon the terms arranged by Li Hung-chang, but he is afraid that China will be helpless if any disastrous consequences follow her rejection of the Convention, and he seems inclined, if no other course can be found, to yield to the Russian Minister's demands, with the modification of a few points which are most unfavourable to China.

Netween Lady Passenger (to deck hand): "Have you ever seen any worse weather than this, Mister Sailor?" Deck Hand: "Take a word from an old salt, man; the weather's never very bad while there's any females on deck—making bachelors about it."

BOATMAN (to visitor): "How's business?" "Why, there ain't no business since these blessed bicycles came into fashion. Why, they come down here and takes our fresh air as we're celebrated for, and pumps it into their 'bloomin' wheels, and takes it away with 'em."

Incidents in the Blood.—We have seen hosts of folks who have had their blood purified by the use of Clark's Blood Mixture. It cannot be too highly estimated, for it cleanses and clears the blood from all impurities. This is a good testimonial from the Family Doctor, which goes on further to say: "It is the most Blood Purifier that science and skill have brought to light, and we can with the utmost confidence recommend it to our subscribers and the public generally." For Scoury, Eczema, Red Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples and Sores of all kinds, its effects are marvellous. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Clark's Blood Mixture is sold everywhere at 25c. per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes.

## SHELL STEAMER ASHORE.

Information reached the Colony a few days ago to the effect that the small tank steamer Pelus, 344 tons gross, belonging to the Shell Transport and Trading Company had gone ashore at Tung O Sands, westward of and near Brunker Point. The accident occurred on the 19th or 20th inst., and the steamer was on a voyage from Hongkong to Swatow with a cargo of bulk petroleum consigned to Messrs Bradley and Co. The crew were saved, and were probably taken on to Swatow by some of the coasting steamers. Assistance was sent from Swatow, and as no information has been received announcing the safety of the vessel it is feared she will become a total loss. The captain of the Pelus being sick when she sailed from Hongkong was left behind, and the steamer proceeded north under the chief officer. On news of the accident reaching Hongkong, the captain at once left for Tung O. The Pelus was built in 1884 at Renfrew by Messrs Leitch and Co., and is an iron twin-screw steamer with compound engines. Her port of registry is Singapore, and she was engaged in the local petroleum coasting trade, her Hongkong agents being Messrs Arncliffe, Karberg and Co.

## CRICKET IN AUSTRALIA.

## The First Test Match.

LONDON, December 13.—The first test match between United Australia and Mr. MacLaren's English Eleven commenced yesterday at Sydney on a perfect wicket.

The Englishmen had the good fortune to win the toss, and scored 272 runs for six wickets. The captain, Mr. MacLaren, played an attractive innings of 116, and T. Haywood contributed a patient 69, in which he never gave a chance. W. G. Grace stonewalled persistently for 21 runs. Mr. Gilbert Jessop made 24 runs uneventfully; Mr. A. O. Jones scored only 9 runs, and J. T. Tyldesley 1 run. A. A. Lilly is not out with 22 runs.

The fielding of the Australian Eleven throughout the day has been good.

December 14.—The wicket in the big match at Sydney continues to keep in perfect condition. Lilly and Brund made a grand stand, both playing steady and attractive cricket. Finally they were out, Lilly for 84 runs and Brund for 68 runs. Then Gunn with 21, Barnes with 26 not out, and Blythe with 20, carried on the English score to 464 runs. The Australians went in and scored 103 runs for the loss of three wickets. Scores:—

ENGLAND—1ST INNINGS.	
Mr. MacLaren (Hants).....	116
Hayward (Surrey).....	69
Qualia (Warwick).....	21
Mr. Jessop (Gloucester).....	24
Mr. Jones (Notts).....	9
Tyldesley (Lancashire).....	1
Lilly (Warwick).....	84
Brund (Somerset).....	68
Gunn (Notts).....	21
Barnes (Lancashire) not out.....	26
Blythe (Kent).....	20
Extras.....	15
Total.....	464
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Total (for three wickets).....	103

## HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The competition on Saturday took the form of sweepstakes of 50 cents each, with \$30 added, special handicapping, three prizes. There was also a gold cross for the highest net score. There was a good attendance. The sweepstakes were won—1st by Mr. Varcoe—who had the very creditable net score of 91—the best he ever made; Q. M. S. Walker and Col. Sgt. Wako were second and third respectively. The gold cross was won by Q. M. S. Walker, who just managed to snatch it from Col. Sgt. Wako by having a better total at the long range. The weather was unfavourable, an unsteady wind blowing across the range with puffs of smoke and mist. The following were the best scores:—

	200 yds.	100 yds.	50 yds.	Total.
* Mr. Varcoe.....	27 31 22 10 170			
* Q. M. S. Walker, R.E.....	32 28 32 32 92			
* Col. Sgt. Wako, R.M.L.I.....	28 34 30 32 92			
Q. M. S. West, R.E.....	29 32 28 3 92			
D. Roberts.....	32 27 32 32 91			
R. A. Collins.....	33 30 22 6 91			
Sgt. Linn, Cross, R.M.L.I.....	31 32 25 3 88			
Mr. Penning.....	31 26 25 6 88			
Mr. W. G. Stackwood.....	32 30 25 3 87			
N. Hobday, R.N.....	30 26 27 3 83			
* Winners of Sweepstakes.				
* Winner of Gold Cross.				

## Ring off, Please.

A CERTAIN wise man took this way to give his wife an idea of how much \$200 is. She had no idea of money. Her purchases were enormous. It happened one day that her eye fell upon a magnificent ring, and she coveted it. It cost \$200. But what was \$200 to her in comparison with the ring? Of course, her husband consented to the purchase. What else could a dutiful and affectionate husband do? But he tried this method of educating his wife concerning the great price of the ring. He instructed his banker to send her the \$200 in small pieces—pennies, sixpences, and shillings. In time the money, bagful after bagful, she never had such an idea of \$200 before. When the money was piled before her, it showed her the price of the ring went up a hundredfold, and was considered at once an extravagance which she of her own option abandoned.

## CRICKET.

## NAVY &amp; ARMY.

Teams representing the above services met on the Cricket Ground on Saturday. The result was a victory for the Navy by 43 runs. Scores:—

NAVY.	
Digby, c. coolie, b. Preedy.....	1
Moore, b. Preedy.....	10
Reinold, c. coolie, b. Dorbell.....	10
Franklin, b. France-Hayhurst.....	67
Wood, b. Preedy.....	15
Cornab, c. Farnshaw, b. Waymouth.....	18
Mahon, b. France-Hayhurst.....	18
Nut, b. Preedy.....	0
McKinley, c. Buttanahaw, b. Preedy.....	18
Harrison, not out.....	9
Broadbent, run out.....	9
Extras.....	10
Total.....	294

## THE ARMY.

Capt. Waymouth, b. Mahon.....	3
Lt. France-Hayhurst, c. Wood, b. Reinold.....	26
Major Beresford Ash, b. Reinold.....	5
Capt. Radcliffe, c. McKinley, b. Broadbent.....	36
Major Dorbell, b. McKinley.....	30
Lt. Farnshaw, b. McKinley.....	13
Major Wynne, c. Digby, b. Franklin.....	4
Capt. Clapham, b. Franklin.....	19
Capt. Rotherham, c. Wood, b. Franklin.....	19
Pto. Preedy, not out.....	15
Major Buttanahaw, c. Cornab, b. McKinley.....	0
Extras.....	13
Total.....	161

## THE WALNUT AT CHAMBERGOWER C.C.

This match was played at the Happy Valley on Saturday last between the Chambergower Cricket Club and the Walnut Floren, and resulted in a victory for the former. The following are the scores:—

WALNUT ELEVEN.	
E. Seth, b. Pestonji.....	8
H. Hartman, c. Pestonji, b. Pestonji.....	20
F. D. Bain, b. Pestonji.....	6
H. A. Seth, b. Hartman.....	1
A. A. Alves, run out.....	1
S. A. Seth, c. M. E. Ager, b. Hartman.....	0
R. Henderson, c. M. E. Ager, b. Hartman.....	0
G. Loureiro, b. Hartman.....	0
A. K. Alves, b. do.....	0
F. W. White, not out.....	0
Extras.....	2
Total.....	46

## CHAMBERGOWER C.C.

J. L. Stuart, run out.....	8
R. Pestonji, c. b. Lapsley.....	10
F. D. Bain, b. Pestonji.....	21
F. Rapp, b. H. A. Seth.....	11
E. Ford, b. do.....	11
L. E. Lammert, c. H. A. Seth, b. Loureiro.....	27
M. E. Ager, c. A. E. Alves, b. Seth.....	1
A. A. Alves, c. A. E. Alves, b. A. H. Hartman.....	1
A. K. Alves, c. A. E. Alves, b. A. H. Hartman.....	1
J. H. Ruttonjee, c. A. E. Alves, b. White.....	0
A. E. Ager, not out.....	0
Extras.....	14
Total.....	105

## CATASTROPHE AT GOA.

## Seventy-five Lives Lost.

BOMBAY, December 9.—The launch *Gon*, which sank at Goa at the end of last week, has been raised. Seventy-five dead bodies were recovered. The disaster is alleged to have been due to overcrowding.

A Panjin correspondent writes to the *Advocate of India*, under date December 3rd:—

A very terrible disaster occurred here to-day on the river Mandovi, which ended in the loss of over a hundred lives. The steam-launch, which plies between Verem, Betim, and Panjin, and vice versa, left the pier of Verem at a little before 7 a.m., with about 200 passengers on board, many having been kept back for want of money. The number was unusually large, owing to the day being the feast day of the patron saint of Goa, St. Francis Xavier, and devotees from different parts proceeding to Verem to offer up prayers at the shrine of the saint in the convent of Bom Jesus. About ten minutes after the steam-launch had weighed anchor, it sank in the river just in front of the Lyceum National. As can be easily imagined, the confusion was tremendous.

The boats being in great demand on that day, there was not a single one available to render the sufferers a helping hand. The launch *Mandovi* was anchored about half a mile off the scene of the disaster, and although the boats from this vessel were lowered as specially possible, they could only pick up about thirty people, and no fewer than sixteen of these died in hospital. The latter were from among the deck passengers. It is believed all the first-class passengers perished.

At the time of writing this, the exact number on board had not been ascertained, but it exceeded 150, of whom only fourteen survived. Almost all the passengers were pilgrims to the shrine of St. Xavier, consisting of sons, daughters, fathers, mothers and old women, and it is believed the catastrophe has caused a wholesale massacre. The passengers were chiefly from Verem, Piterna, Saligao, Calangute, Anjuna, Assagao, St. Iolm, Mapuca, Candolim, Nerul, and Terra.

The launch is lying at the place where it sank, and the dead bodies have not yet been recovered. Some people of the neighbouring villages, having got news of the disaster, have arrived here, and their cries of despair in the streets of this capital are indescribable. A large crowd from other villages is expected in the course of to-morrow in search of their friends. One can scarcely conceive that a disaster of so great a magnitude could ever have occurred only about fifty yards from the shore and in full view of the town.

The press is clamouring for a thorough enquiry of the Government, which is held on more than one occasion escaped through fortuitous circumstances similar disasters, but for some reason or other no good has resulted from the agitation. The disaster at Durban, which happened in another steam launch, just near the pier, some eight or nine years ago, and which caused the loss of three lives, raised a hue and cry in the country at the time. An enquiry was started, but no one as yet knows the result.

A FRESHMAN went up to a British officer, and requested his permission to examine his Waterloo medal. "Humph!" said he, turning it over and looking at it with contempt. "A pretty affair, it didn't cost your nation above a few francs." "True," replied the officer, "but it cost yours a Napoleon."

## LATE TELEGRAMS.

## The Queen of the Netherlands.

LONDON, December 16.—Queen Wilhelmina, after a long illness, died at Huis ten Bosch, and drove to the Palace of the Queen's mother in an open carriage. They were enthusiastically cheered.

## One for Mr Carnegie.

President Roosevelt has declined Mr. Carnegie's offer of £2,000,000 for educational purposes, because the money is payable in bonds of the Steel Trust.

## The Nigeria Campaign.

Four columns of 400 each are operating against the Aros in Nigeria. One column captured a native stronghold on the 21st ultimo, killing eighty. The Aros attacked the camp of another column on the 30th, but were repulsed, losing heavily.

## Cecil Rhodes and South Africa.

Mr. Cecil Rhodes, in a long letter to the *Daily Telegraph*, says that the only sure means of eradicating race hatred in South Africa is the settlement of large numbers of suitable Britishers on the land there.

## Another Conference of Colonial Premiers.

December 13.—Mr. Barton and Mr. Seddon have accepted a proposal of Sir Wilfrid Laurier for a Conference in London on Colonial questions on the occasion of the Coronation.

## The Relations of Britain and Russia.

December 14.—A delegation of Russian agriculturists, headed by a high official, are visiting England, and to-day lunching at the Mansion House. Replying to toasts, the Russians emphasized the anxiety to promote friendship and trade with Great Britain.

## Reinforcements for South Africa.

December 13.—The Canadians are mobilizing at Halifax, and will embark for the Cape on the 10th January.

The departure of the quotas from different parts has been marked by scenes of enthusiasm equaling the departure of the first contingents.

## New Law in the Transvaal.

A new law respecting native labour has been promulgated. It abolishes the servitude of the old law, and creates a strong internal surveillance over native miners.

## Attempted Murder in the Shropshire.

Poole, Dec. 10.—A General Court-Martial has been held on the 10th inst. at the Shropshire, who attempted to murder Corporal Henry Wood, of the same regiment. Colonel Stuart presided. The prisoner is alleged to have stabbed Wood while in bed, in June last, wounding him in several places. The complaint's life was long despaired of, but he has recovered sufficiently to be invalided. The prisoner, who has been in confinement 171 days, denied all knowledge of the matter, saying that he was drunk at the time. This was denied by witnesses. The Court has sent its finding to the General Commanding.

## Naples to be a Manufacturing Centre.

LONDON, December 14.—Signor Zanardelli, of the Italian Chamber, announced numerous measures for the economic improvement of Southern Italy, including reduction of the land tax, the construction of two lines which will reduce the journey between Rome and Naples to two and a half hours, and the construction of aqueducts in Apulia. It is intended to make Naples a manufacturing centre.

## Franco-Italian Interests in the Mediterranean.

The Italian Foreign Minister in the Chamber of Deputies stated that France had given Italy the most frank and satisfactory assurances concerning her policy in the Mediterranean and at Tripoli. France has no thought of cutting the caravan routes from Tripoli to the interior, and mutual confidence has become the rule in the relations of Italy and France.

## Commercial Education in Bengal.

Calcutta, December 12.—The Bengal Chamber of Commerce has issued a letter from the Director of Public Instruction of Bengal, embodying a scheme for introducing commercial education in Bengal, under Government auspices, on lines similar to those in vogue in London.

## Recognition of the Colonies by the City of London.

LONDON, December 13.—A dinner was given by the Gresham Committee last night, Sir Robert Rogers being the Chairman, the Mayor being Lord Mayor, with a representative Colonial gathering. Sir Charles Tennant (for Sir David Tennant, Agent-General of Cape Colony), in a speech, said he hoped that the war would end immediately after the re-assembly of Parliament.

Sir Robert Rogers dwelt upon the magnificent revelation of love and loyalty of the Colonial children for the Motherland during the South African crisis, the memory of which will be ineffaceable in the hearts of the English people.

The speakers dwelt upon the political and commercial importance of the exhibition of Colonial products in the Royal Exchange under the auspices of the Gresham Committee, which is practically the first step in the recognition of the Colonies by the City.

## Bruce Hamilton's Successor.

December 14.—General Bruce Hamilton reports from Ermelo, yesterday, that he surprised Pto. Viljoen's Lager after a long night march, and killed 16 and captured 76 armed prisoners. Many others were wounded. He also recaptured one of Colonel Benson's lost guns which he used against the retreating Boers. Colonel Benson's other gun has been destroyed. The Government has telegraphed hearty congratulations to General Bruce Hamilton.

## The Concentration Camps.

The mortality among whites in the Concentration Camps in the Transvaal and Orange River Colony during October and November was 5,953, of which 4924 were children.

## Indian Tea Exports.

Calcutta, December 14.—Total exports to the United Kingdom from the 1st April to date amount to 126,566,287 lbs. against 133,894,247 lbs. last year.

Exports to all foreign ports have decreased over three millions compared with 1900.

## Sir Harry Johnston's Successor in Uganda.

LONDON, December 13.—Colonel Sadler, Consul in Somaliland, has been appointed Commissioner of Uganda.

[Lieut. Colonel James Hayes Sadler was Acting Consul at Mombasa from December 26th, 1892, to June 2nd, 1893; from July 26th to August 4th, 1893; from October 29th, 1893, to April 17th, 1895; and from November 15th, 1895, to April 15th, 1896. Appointed Consul for the district between

## Tajurah and Ras Hafon, of the East Coast of Africa (Somali Coast), January 29th, 1897; and Consul General in the British Protectorate on the Somali Coast, July 27th, 1898.]

## Railway Extension in Burmah.

Calcutta, December 11.—The Viceroy replied to several Addresses yesterday at Rangpo. To the Chamber of Commerce he deprecated railway extension into unknown regions. He discouraged the idea of connecting Burmah and India by railway, and counselled the development of local trade.

## Madras Visited by a Cyclone.

Calcutta, December 10.—Madras was visited by a heavy cyclone on Sunday and Monday. The "great danger" storm signal was hoisted on Sunday, and heavy rain fell for 12 hours, placing a large part of the city under water. The December race meeting has been postponed, owing to the racecourse being under water. No reports of accidents have yet been received.

## General South African News.

Calcutta, December 16.—The London correspondent of the *Englishman*, telegraphing on the 16th instant, states that it is hoped that a fourth of the mining industry in the Transvaal will be in full swing by the end of February.

Commandant Krüger has issued a proclamation asserting that the Boer annexation of a portion of the Cape Colony in 1899 is still in full force, and threatening summary punishment on those inhabitants helping the British.

Mr. Chann Calcutta University, writing to the Birmingham Unionist Association, attributes the personal attacks on him to the disorganization of the Opposition, whose members having neither trusted leaders nor a common policy are driven by lack of arguments to abuse.

## BABOO ENGLISH.

The following exquisite copy of a letter in "Baboo English" has been sent us for publication:—

To Baboo K—L—G—Postnatal Father of Miss K—G—

Dear Sir, I write to you with a faltering penmanship, but I write to have communication with you about the prospective condition of your damsel offspring. For some remote time to past a secret passion has firing my bosom internally with loving for your daughter. I have navigated every channel in the magnitude of my extensive jurisdiction to crush another growing love-knot that has been in my withinside, but the timid lamp of affection trimmed by Cupid's productive hands still nourishes my love-sickened heart. Needless would it be for me to numerically extemporize the great conflagration that is being constructed in my head and heart. During the region of nightness my intellectual crucible has been engorged in thoughtful attitude after my beloved consort. Nocturnal slumberlessness has been the infirmity that has besieged my now degenerate constitution.

My educational capabilities have advanced long, and here I now cling to those loved long tresses of your most coveted daughter like a mariner shipwrecked on the rock of love.

As to my scholastic culture I have been ejected from Calcutta University, I am matriculating and will make a nation as soon as I perceive the business of life a little laxative. I am of lofty and original lineage and of independent incomes and having debated this proposition in your pregnant mind, I hope you will concordantly corroborate in espousing your son's progeny to my tender bosom and thereby acquire me into your family circle as Your dutiful Son-in-law.

(Sgd) M—L—

## Entertainment

## CITY HALL.

## WEDNESDAY, 1st JAN., 1902.

## BOXING.

A. MONK, R.W.F., and J. LENNAN, R.M.A., H.M.S. JIFFEEN, will box the best of 20 Three-Minute Rounds with gloves for \$200 a-side and a purse of \$400, under the MARQUEE of Queensberry's rules for the HEAVY WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP of the COLONY.

## A GROUND CONTEST between A. SMART &amp; J. DEEAN, R.W.F.

J. WILLIAMS, Esq., S. BENTLEY (Coloured) will box a 4-Round trial bout, and other events.

Popular Prices—25c, 50c & \$1. Doors open at 8; Commence at 8.30. Tickets at Kowloon and Victoria Hotels.

## THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, 1875.

## APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company, of 10 Mark Lane, London, England, and Cham, Switzerland, Manufacturers, have, on the 14th day of OCTOBER, 1901, applied for the registration in Hongkong in the Register of Trade Marks of the following Trade Mark of the words:—

## MUI MAI.

in the name of the Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company, who claim to be the sole proprietors thereof.

The Trade Mark has been used by the applicants in respect of the following goods:—Substances used as



## Shipping.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities of the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, Etc., apply at the Company's local Branch Office at Prince's Building, 1st Floor, Chater Road.

**A. S. Mihara, Manager.**

Hongkong, December 30, 1921

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